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**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE MAINE PUBLIC
SAFETY PIPE AND DRUM CORPS, THE MAINE POLICE
EMERALD SOCIETY AND THE POLICE EMERALD SOCIETY GB**

WHEREAS, the Maine Public Safety Pipe and Drum Corps was formed in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks to ensure that the funerals of Maine public safety personnel could include bagpipers; and

WHEREAS, the Maine Police Emerald Society was also formed after the September 11, 2001 attacks as an organization allowing law enforcement officers of Celtic heritage to foster community and camaraderie and to raise money for local charities; and

WHEREAS, the Police Emerald Society GB, which is the Irish staff association for Great Britain's police, represents its members' views and those of the wider Irish community at various levels of the Metropolitan Police Service and works with colleagues in other forces throughout Great Britain to provide advice, support and social connections; and

WHEREAS, the Police Emerald Society GB is marching in the London St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 18, 2018; and

WHEREAS, members of the Maine Public Safety Pipe and Drum Corps and the Maine Police Emerald Society are traveling to London and marching in the St. Patrick's Day Parade with the Police Emerald Society GB and the Maine Public Safety Pipe and Drum Corps will also be playing in London at memorials to fallen police officers and firefighters; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, take this opportunity to recognize the Maine Public Safety Pipe and Drum Corps and the Maine Police Emerald Society as they represent the State and the United States at the London St. Patrick's Day Parade; and be it further

RESOLVED: That We recognize the Police Emerald Society GB for its fostering the bonds between public safety personnel and citizens of different nations; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Maine Public Safety Pipe and Drum Corps, the Maine Police Emerald Society and the Police Emerald Society GB.